

1—Ruth Elder, aviatrix, helping christen two amphibian airplanes of the New York police which are stationed at the first air police precinct in the United States, at North Beach. 2—New bridge over the Columbia river between Longview, Wash., and Ranier, Ore., which has just been dedicated. 3—Fine home on R street, Washington, which has just been purchased by Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Taking of Fifteenth Decennial Census Under Way With New Features.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

UNCLE SAM is counting his nephews and nieces and finding out a lot about their prosperity or lack of it. In other words, the fifteenth decennial census is being taken. This big job will be finished in the cities within two weeks of the start, and in the rural districts within one month.

Besides population, this census includes unemployment, agriculture, irrigation, drainage, manufactures, mining, and distribution. The distribution census, which is a new feature, will be made up of statistics of goods sold by wholesale and retail merchants and dealers and of the number of persons employed in trade. Unemployment, considered as a separate subject of inquiry, also is new, although some of the previous censuses have included a single question asking the number of months in which persons have been unemployed during the year.

For the first time each family is asked whether it owns or rents its home, the value of the home or how much rent is paid. Another new question concerns the age of each individual at first marriage, and a third question, "Is there a radio set in your home?" Answers to these questions are expected to furnish valuable new information never before compiled in the United States.

It will be interesting to compare the results of the count with the figures given by the census clock, an ingenious piece of mechanism in the office of the director of the census in Washington. At one minute after midnight on April 1, when the census started officially, this clock gave the population of the United States as 123,186,833.

The enumerators actually began their work on April 2, and at one o'clock that afternoon President Hoover met J. Sterling Moran, supervisor for the District of Columbia, outside the White House and handed him a filled out family schedule. Everything in it was confidential, as is the case with the replies of every other person in the country.

Missouri, New Jersey and Idaho contested for the honor of having completed the first district in the census. Centertown, Colo. county, Mo., which takes its name from the fact that it is the exact geographical center of the state, telegraphed its claim to being the first town to complete the task, to census headquarters. Contesting that honor was Kootenai county, Idaho, which reported the enumeration there completed at 8:30 a. m. Morris township, Morris county, N. J., finished early in the afternoon.

THOUGH wet and dry figures are not included in the census, those supplied by the Literary Digest's national straw vote are being given out daily and are apparently significant enough to give the supporters of prohibition in its present form considerable concern. Dry leaders protest that this poll is unfair, and Senators Jones and Hill of Washington asserted in the senate that the ballots were sent mostly to men. Mr. Hill asked the Digest editor whether women were being discriminated against and was told that the ballots were sent to the same persons who got them in a Presidential election poll in 1928.

Because of the consideration of the tariff bill on the floor of the house of representatives, the judiciary committee's hearings on the Eighteenth Amendment were suddenly halted. Dr. P. Scott McElride, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, and four other dry leaders were permitted to insert their statements in the record, but they were much to their disgust, had no chance to cross examine them. The keynote of all the statements was sounded by Doctor McElride in this sentence: "Prohibition at its best, even in the worst cities and in the worst places within those cities, is better than the old-time licensed liquor traffic at its best."

Doctor McElride declared that the

wets have failed to prove their major contentions—that the Eighteenth amendment fails to contribute most effectively toward the solution of the liquor problem; that the people are asking for repeal, and that they, the wets, have a constructive program upon which they can unite.

FOLLOWING several hours of discussion, the house by a vote of 421 to 153 approved of a special rule to send the tariff bill to conference. The rule made no mention of the verbal understanding that before final action is taken by the conferees separate votes will be asked in the house on sugar, cement, lumber and shingles. The conferees appointed by Vice President Curtis and Speaker Longworth were the ranking members of the senate committee and of the house ways and means committee. They include none of the so-called radicals.

SENATOR NORRIS of Nebraska, sponsor of the pending resolution for government operation of the Muscle Shoals project, in a speech in the senate demanded that the American Farm Bureau federation repudiate Chester Gray, its Washington lobbyist, asserting that Gray had been exposed by the lobby investigating committee as a traitor to the farmers' cause. The Nebraska senator reviewed Gray's cooperation with the Tennessee River improvement association, a lobby in behalf of the cyanamide bid for Muscle Shoals formerly headed by C. H. Houston, now Republican national committee chairman.

CONGRESSMAN SNELL'S resolution calling for the appointment of a joint congressional and executive commission to study the question of giving the President power to draft man power and capital in event of war was passed by the house without a record vote.

Approval of the measure after five hours of acrimonious debate was featured by a signal victory for labor interests opposed to the conscription of workmen for industrial purposes in wartime. In its original form the Snell measure provided for a study of labor conscription as well as the drafting of industry and man power in event of war. So much opposition developed to the labor phase of the inquiry that an amendment was finally adopted stipulating that the commission "should not consider and should not report upon the advisability of conscripting labor."

OVER production of wheat in the Northwest may be checked if the farmers take kindly to the plan put forward by Chairman Legge of the farm board at the suggestion of Dr. J. L. Coulter, chief economist of the tariff commission. The plan is for the farmers to exchange part of their seed wheat to the farm board for fax, barley, rye and oats for planting this year. Coulter, loaned to the farm board, started on a two weeks' tour of the wheat belt to try to put the scheme into effect. He hopes to cut the wheat acreage in Minnesota and the Dakotas by two million acres. It is forecast by the Millers' National federation that the United States' carry-over of the present crop into the new crop year of July 1 will be close to that of a year ago. The carry-over this year is estimated at 243,000,000 bushels, compared to 237,000,000 bushels on hand last July 1, the forecast states.

WHATEVER else comes out of the London naval conference, there is to be a three-power limitation agreement. It was officially announced at American delegation headquarters that American delegation leaders, British and Japanese were in complete accord. The Americans and British, at a meeting with the Japanese at St. James' palace, indicated acceptance of the Japanese reservation. The only points to be settled are details relating to Japanese reservations on the scrapping and replacing of ships in order to keep their dockyards working. It was said there would be no factor of difficulty in any of the Japanese reservations. The Root-Matsudaira formula had previously been accepted by the Japanese government with four reservations which were considered merely technical.

With this highly encouraging basis to go on, the delegates went ahead

with their negotiations designed to satisfy the security pact demands of France in the high hope that the French and Italians could be brought into accord with the other powers for the adoption of a five-power treaty. Italy was asked to join with Great Britain and France in a mutual security arrangement affecting the Mediterranean, and conversations were continued concerning how far the British should go in guaranteeing France against aggression. Prime Minister MacDonald has given parliament assurance that Great Britain will undertake no new military commitments, but it was hoped the French could be satisfied, nevertheless. The plenary session of the conference, scheduled for Friday, was indefinitely postponed so that Briand and Henderson might continue their search for a formula acceptable to both the governments, and also to Italy, which had not abandoned the demand for parity with France.

Nationalistic organizations of Japan staged a demonstration against the acceptance of the Root-Matsudaira agreement, declaring it was a humiliating surrender of means of national defense in the face of American demands.

ONE of the minor world's of the government came to the front when it was found that Mme. Anastasia Tolchinsky, who claims to be the youngest daughter of the slain Russian czar Nicholas II, had overstayed the visitor's permit on which she was permitted to enter the country. The immigration bureau could order her expulsion, but nothing further could be done about it, for there is no place to which she could be deported. There are already outstanding papers for the deportation of some 700 undesirable Russian natives, but since 1921 the Russian government has declined to receive any of them. They cannot be landed in other countries, so here they remain.

WILLIAM T. FOSGROVE, whose resignation as president of the executive council of the Irish Free State parliament was forced by an adverse vote, was re-elected by the Irish citizens by a vote of 80 to 65. Eamon de Valera and T. J. O'Connell were first proposed for the place and were defeated decisively after a long and bitter debate.

DR. OTTO BRETENING, the new chancellor of Germany, has formed a ministry which has a good chance to last for some time, although it includes no socialists. A motion of no confidence in the cabinet, proposed by the Socialists and Communists, was defeated, 222 to 187, because the Nationalists, who hold the balance of power in the Reichstag, refused to support it. If the government had fallen Chancellor Brüning, with the consent of President von Hindenburg, would have dissolved the Reichstag. He gained the friendship of the Nationalists by promising a generous farm relief program.

BY THE big majority of 549 to 25 the French chamber of deputies ratified the Young Reparatons plan and authorized President Doumergue to sign this final act for liquidation of the World war and for the evacuation of the Rhineland. The closing day of the debate was quiet despite warnings of the Nationalists that withdrawal of French troops from the Rhineland would release another German invasion.

WILLIAM GREEN, president of the American Federation of Labor, told the senate interstate commerce committee that 5,700,000 wage earners were unemployed in February, losing a total of \$400,000,000 in wages. Workless wage earners lost at least \$1,000,000,000 in wages during the first three months of this year, he added. "Five billion dollars' worth of wealth," said Mr. Green, "created by our wage earners and spent for the products and the services of our industries in three months, would undoubtedly be more than sufficient to turn the tide of business from recession to advance."

Unemployment in the ranks of the federation has not fallen below 8 per cent of the total membership in the last 27 months, according to Mr. Green.

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Fading of the Jazz Age

Today there are signs—faint but unmistakable—that the Jazz era has reached its apogee and is now on the decline. An author on music thinks she sees beautiful and musical melodies permeating from the med of jazz. College and professors argue that the whole "jazz" philosophy is going into the discard. Jazz is a disease of youth, they maintain, and in fact, it has reached its height in the college. College clothes, food, half hysteria, two top-pocket flash, readiness and ready seats, necking and getting all the station of the last generation found their inspiration in the highly wrought atmosphere of the post-war Jazz. Jazz isn't gone, but it is going. And the tempo of the near future, while rapid, will no longer be quite so jumpy.

The efficiency engineer of a large eastern concern has just received a report from the head of his board of directors for his ingenuity in saving the firm something like \$300 a year, states the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. This genius ordered the paper-towel containers in the company's washrooms placed about fifteen inches higher on the wall. After washing their hands the employees will be annoyed by water running down their sleeves when they reach for a towel unless they first shake off the surplus moisture. Thus the consumption of paper towels has been greatly reduced. In the great amount of efficiency this idea is almost perfect. It won't be 100 per cent, however, until the efficiency man figures out a way to make all those drops of water run on electric fan or another turbine or something.

Attendees in an art museum usually are trained only to answer questions, but the director of the Philadelphia museum prepared some for his schoolmates to ask. Among the visitors with a decided preference he learned that 41 per cent desired most of all to see the antique period rooms and a smaller percentage to see the pictures. Historical interest and the fact that the museum several hundred years ago also the other art treasures in the city. The inquiry was made from the fact that there is no lack of things to see, but the question is how to see them.

The German people, we have heard, observe the Chicago Tribune as the most effective enemy force of the world and to be able to reach for any existing news reports of war. The new table of 100,000 in the United States and war machine are moved give a vastly greater mobility and striking power than have ever before been imagined possible. The industry is no longer the queen of battles in British doctrine, the new in the machine is to dominate the battlefields of the future as the German people have been doing since 1914. The German people are now the most powerful and relative in the world.

Machinery of German forms is at last getting the horse to fight. Added by the past war business difficulties, the inventors of domestic animals made every effort to prevent the introduction of insects and met with success until recently. Now the motor truck and modern agricultural machinery are steadily driving the horse and the ox from the highways and the farm. It is estimated that German agricultural land can now be worked by machinery. It is estimated that the agricultural land will be worked by machinery in the near future.

"Did you get much response from your audience?" "None at all," admitted the great poet. "I'm beginning to think I'm mistaken. I'm right. I'm to go down and about at the ocean."

With its regular clock, one playing card contains now includes a joker, a bridge card, an extra card and a sample. This makes the bridge deal come out even, each player getting 13 cards.

"TRUSTS" SEEN IN NEW LIGHT

By W. W. ATTERBURY, President Pennsylvania Railroad.

THE great combinations of industrial enterprises, once feared and antagonized under the name of trusts, are now recognized as among our greatest national assets and absolutely necessary to maintenance of our place in the world's trade. Many of our colleges and schools have in years not so far distant been the breeding grounds of a good deal of subversive and radical thought. Ideas were encouraged, and even directly taught, that were entirely out of harmony with human society as it has come to be organized, and that if allowed to go far enough would surely destroy that society. Would they set up something better in its place?

Radicalism in scholastic circles, I think, may be traced to two main sources. One is recourse to theory without contact with the practical affairs of real life. The other is the reflex of the unsound political movements of the last generation or two.

Such political movements, for the most part, have been aimed to prevent the accumulation of wealth in individual or corporate hands, in the mistaken idea that wealth is a dangerous or evil thing.

We know better now. We know that wealth is the most potent material power for good that exists in the world, and that, other things being equal, the bigger and stronger any useful and capably managed business enterprise becomes, the better and more beneficial it is to the welfare of the country as a whole.

The voice of the people has reclaimed the honesty of purpose of big business as now conducted, and the government, ever sensitive to popular opinion, is in all departments giving greater help and less hindrance to business than ever before in our national history.

PENAL SYSTEMS NEED REFORM

By CHARLES H. TUTTLE, United States Attorney, New York.

Thoroughgoing reform of both state and federal penal systems has been given by the recent prison riots to be a foremost and most urgent public problem. The lines of reform in our own state are not difficult to see. One prison should be set aside as a reception prison, where preliminary physical, mental and moral examinations should be made, in order to determine classification, segregation and the ultimate place of confinement.

In each prison there should be a psychiatric board; a system of vocational training under the state department of education; modern standard shops; the financial equalization of all prisoners by a system of restricted pay for work done, in substitution for money received from outside; adequate observance of the laws of hygiene; and credit in time off for good behavior and industrial accomplishment. The state also could beneficially employ such of its prisoners as required outdoor life in the reforestation of non-tiltable lands or in the operation of prison farms.

Among reforms needed in the federal system of penology are the construction of a penitentiary in the northeastern part of the United States, from which section comes the greatest number of prisoners now in Atlanta; the appointment of parole officers to supervise the large number of federal prisoners out on parole and a parole board working on scientific lines.

IMPOSSIBLE TO OBEY ALL LAWS

By DR. NICHOLAS MURRAY BUTLER, President Columbia University.

If law enforcement meant the enforcement of all law, then the social order, at least in the United States, would quickly be afflicted with paralysis, partly because of their open conflicts with each other.

There is no ground whatever for the conventional statement that the violation of one law or disrespect for it leads to the disregard of all law. The contrary is the case. Lawlessness is selective, and unbroken human experience goes to prove that one man may hold a law in utter contempt and yet have high respect for the great body of the law of the land in which he lives.

The conduct of a gentleman and conduct in accordance with high moral standards are superior to law as methods of social control.

The failure of congress to enact reappropriation legislation for years might be mentioned as an instance of defiance of the Constitution by those in authority.

GODLESS CREED NO RELIGION

By RABBI SAMUEL SCHULMAN, New York.

Morality is not a religion. It records, it is true, human experience, but it only becomes the chief content of every "high religion." A humanism without a god defeats itself. It has no logical basis and is no religion at all. The masses of the people cannot live the high, ascetic, mature, chastity, disinterested life without the spirit being brought home to them in terms of God in a manner which they can understand. And the saints who live that life are already in touch with God. The author should note that it is no accident that the greatest religious teachers attach their philosophies to lives of God. We therefore believe that Judaism, with its unimagined and unvisualized God, is a spiritual religion fit for the modern man.

A Jew can be a humanist as far as moral content is concerned, but no humanist who gives up God can remain a Jew in religion.

WORLD MOVEMENT FOR PEACE

By DR. FRED W. SMITH, World Peace Promoter.

We are in the midst of the greatest revolution which has ever occurred in the history of the world. At first it may seem as though this is rather an exaggerated statement, but I believe that thorough consideration will bear it out. Some time ago, looking at the dictionary to get a definition of the word "revolution," I found this: "A revolution is some great change or alteration in a system," and, further on, it said: "It is not called a revolution unless it is successful."

Well, when I consider these two elements in the definition of a revolution, I am quite certain that my statement is accurate. The proposal is to change the age-long habit and method of all the races and all the nations of which there is any recorded history, in their method of adjusting either international, inter-racial or class misunderstanding.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

QUESTIONS

1. What is the first book of the New Testament?
2. What is the capital of Japan?
3. A farthing is what part of a penny?
4. Where did the wild bees of this country come from?
5. Who is "Christopher Robin"?
6. What is the common name for drug addicts?
7. What country is St. Patrick supposed to have benefited?
8. What part of the brain does the reasoning?
9. What state do the "Webfeet" come from?
10. What is the birthstone of February?
11. Who was the only man who was both president and chief justice?
12. What day is the first day of the week?

ANSWERS

1. Lockjaw.
2. The branch of zoology which which treats of birds.
3. Revelations.
4. They are the breeding grounds of many seals.
5. The teddy bear belonging to Christopher Robin in Child's Stories by A. Milne.
6. The type is dropped or some way all jumbled up after it has been set.
7. Drugs used by drug addicts.
8. Drove all the snakes out of Ireland.
9. About 86 years.
10. Snowdrop.
11. Ohio.
12. France.

Oxford County

United Parish

Comprising Albany, Stoneham, North Lovell and the Waterford. Pastoral Staff: Revs. W. I. Bull, B. P. Wentworth, A. C. Townsend

Rev. W. I. Bull has been sick during the past week, and is still confined to his bed, but is reported as gaining. The Lenten season is being observed by the use of the booklet, "The Fellowship of Prayer," in the homes and as a basis for sermons by the Staff.

Membership suppers are being held in the different churches. One was held at Stoneham two weeks ago, and one last week at Waterford. Similar gatherings are planned for North Waterford and North Lovell this week.

During Holy Week a set of stereopticon slides on the Life of Christ will be used throughout the Parish. A change is soon to take place in the Pastoral Staff. The resignation of Rev. B. P. Wentworth becomes effective next autumn, and may be effective sooner if so desired. Mr. Wentworth has been offered a position that he is desirous of accepting, and he may ask to be released in the near future. He has been on the Staff for four years and has done most excellent work in Religious Education.

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Rev. Ralph Brandon is being considered as Mr. Wentworth's successor. He spent the week end in the Parish, attending several social gatherings, and preaching in two of the churches on Sunday. Mr. Brandon is a farmer's son from Ohio, a member of the Christian denomination, which is now being merged with the Congregationalists. He is a graduate of Defiance College, and is now a senior in Yale Theological Seminary where he has specialized in Religious Education.

A special meeting of the Council was called for last Tuesday to consider recommending to the Churches that they extend a call to Mr. Brandon; also to consider Mr. Wentworth's request for an early release.

Meetings of the local parishes or churches will be held soon to act on the recommendation of the Council.

Generous Traveler

Gregson, who had been feeling the effects of very bad weather during a sea journey: "Captain, does oil make the waves smooth in rough water?" Captain—Yes, my lad. But why do you ask me that? Gregson—I've got a bottle of cod liver oil in the cabin, and I was thinking it might be valuable to you, captain. I'd sooner save the ship with it than take it myself!

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A Girl's Gotta Be Sure

by THEODORE TINSLEY
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THE third time in as many minutes Myra darted a frowning glance at the cheap living room clock, but her underlip nervously, and then at Rita. Rita was her married sister. Rita's wrong, kid? Rita asked. "You're worried. Boy friend tonight?" Rita nodded. She played with a mirror tassel. "Listen, Rita; he asked me last night. Dave wants me to marry him. I'm so glad. Dave's what'd yuh tell him, hon?" "I told him I—gotta be sure," she said darkly. "I guess we'll go down one tonight." "Now listen, Myra! If you tell him down you're gonna be sorry. Let this Coney business." Myra smiled mysteriously and shook her head. "Just a little test." The door buzzer sounded sharply. "Retreated," Myra answered the herself. She was trembling. She gave a lot. "Followed her into the empty living room. He laid his new hat on the table, kid," he whispered huskily. "He swayed tremulously together, and was in his arms. Dizzily she held him away."

"Yes," his voice sounded thickly. "Yuh think it over, hon? I can't on this way—I gotta know!" "Yes. . . . Listen, I'll yuh tonight sure. Honest, I will you take me to Coney?" "Sure. Why not?" He drew a deep breath. "They mingled with the shuffling, spinning mob that clogged the gaudy walks of Surf avenue. It was to ramble unnoticed through the noise and badgered by wheedling, pinched and buffeted and elated by a roaring, good-natured master born of thousands of twines like themselves."

Presently they came to lurid lights and a packed eddy of people. A trum-bled. A sweating barker began yawn. Above his head were amazing lithographs of men and monsters. Canvas banner flapped over an entrance carved in Coney Island porch.

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Myra made a small dry sound. "I'ma go in, Dave."

"Okay, hon."

The air was soggy and humid inside. Dave mopped his brow; kind of, he thought. A ratty-looking stur was talking. On the stage, Bobo was a yellow, cadaverous man with duck trousers and a soiled shirt. With a gentle, faraway smile, Bobo plucked at the loose skin over his gaudy collar bone, drew it jerkily upward to his forehead and it snup back. The crowd murmured. He did it again. "Ponderly. . . . The yellowish skin, red, tant and rubbery."

"Aw gee," whispered Dave weakly. "Gently he gulped with a strangled gasp."

"Aaaaaan—Quick! Let's git outa here!"

Their rush for outer darkness nearly bowled over the gaudy door-keeper. The steamy, fetid air seemed suddenly salt and glorious. Dave gasped his clammy forehead and bowed with relief.

"Phoo!"

"I thought you'd like it," Myra faltered. "Not me. It was only a test of you."

She shook her head. "Ugh! I hate it. I didn't dare look at him."

"Why, I thought you wanted to in?"

"I did!" she cried. "I did!"

She was laughing, patting his arm, looking disjunctly. "Dave—I'm silly. I'm a fool—but I don't care! Maybe I'll think I'm crazy—but, Dave, if you had looked at those—those things in there—enjoyed it, I can't—I couldn't ever have seen you like that. I couldn't!"

"Why, hon?" He was puzzled. "Because—oh, I can't explain it. It couldn't matter a bit if we thought different about everything on earth—except that last! I had to know about that! Living together means thinking out—oh, you know—feeling about silly, crazy little things like—well, like freaks. Thank God you can't bear 'em either!"

She faced him defiantly, with a quivering smile. "There! Ain't I crazy?"

He pondered the matter dazedly. Her hand was plucking at his sleeve. Her wet lashes sparkled faintly. "Dave—Sweetie—" she faltered. "Oh, Dave, ask me something—quick—before I die!"

A hot-dog man eyed the merger with a bland bland grin. He'd seen lots of pairs slide by in his wise old life. He sighed as he forked up a warm, sputtering canine for a customer, and smiled pessimistically. "Have a good cinnch, kids," he growled softly. "You'll be married soon enough!"

Fore Street, Oxford

Wallace Lovejoy visited his brother Alvin, Sunday.

Orestina Twitchell is taking Marjory Twitchell's place at the Food Shoppe while Marjory takes her much needed vacation.

David Staples of Welchville has been stopping at Al Twitchell's for the last ten days.

School begins again this week after a recess of three weeks. All are glad to get back to school.

Oscar Twitchell is the only one in this neighborhood that has any trees tapped. He had the courage to tap 75.

Flora Cummings was in West Paris visiting friends the first of last week. She attended a birthday party at Jennie Cummings' April 1.

Roy Stearns and wife spent Sunday at their home here.

Arlene Reynolds has gone to South Paris to work doing house work.

Flora Cummings was called to South Paris Friday afternoon to care for Mrs. Angie Cutler who fell and hurt her knee quite badly.

Miss Retha Glover from Oxford village was a dinner guest at E. E. Twitchell's recently.

E. E. Twitchell was in Portland last Monday buying fruit.

NEWRY

Miss Marian Learned has returned to school at Rumford after a vacation of two weeks.

Ivan Stowe and family of Rumford Point were callers at George Learned's last Saturday. Mrs. Learned returned with them to Rumford for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hakala and children were in Rumford shopping last Thursday.

Walter Powers sold a veal calf to L. W. Ramsell last Wednesday.

Mrs. Daisy Morton passed through here last Saturday on her way home from Bethel where she had been for a few days.

F. I. French of Bethel was in town last Saturday after a long day.

High Street, West Paris

Elmer Waterhouse and wife have returned from California where they spent the winter.

Saimi McKeon is home now for a while from Norway.

Marian Hill is working at Norway doing office work.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Waterhouse and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Waterhouse called at D. O. Hill's Sunday.

Georgina Spear has returned from her week's vacation at her home at North Haven.

School did not keep Monday as the roads were impassable.

Mrs. Chas. Marshall was at Norway and South Paris Wednesday.

Lila Schroeder is working for Mrs. Charles Marshall.

Marian Hill and her mother called on Mrs. Laura McKeon Friday at Bethel.

The roads over High Street are all washed out so autos cannot pass over them.

Winona Sanborn has been spending a week with her aunt, Martha Sanborn. James Spiney of Bethel was at Elmer Ingalls' Sunday.

GREENWOOD CENTER

Vera Dunham and Winifred Bryant from Rowe Hill were in this vicinity Saturday. Miss Bryant was delivering and taking orders for the Zanol products.

Robert Morgan from Greenwood City was in the place Friday, taking the valuation.

Mrs. Carrie Swan from Norway is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. D. R. Cole, and family.

Nestor Tamminen from West Paris was in this place recently, repairing radios.

Roy Martin is doing some inside painting for E. K. Cole.

Harry Tibbets has returned to his home at Mechanic Mills after several weeks visit with Eugene Elwell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Roberts and son Reginald from Locke Mills were at R. L. Martin's Sunday. Gordon and David Roberts returned home with them.

Archie Cole from South Bethel was a recent visitor in this vicinity.

SOUTH PARIS

The Ladies' Circle of the G. A. R. served a covered dish dinner Wednesday to the Veterans and their families.

The Philathen Class will meet with Mrs. Margaret Taylor Thursday at 2:30.

The S. of U. V. Auxiliary will hold their regular meeting Thursday evening. A full rehearsal of the work is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barrows are visiting relatives in Massachusetts.

Mrs. Lora Porter Noyes and little daughter are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Porter. They returned with her sister, Arlene, who had been visiting there.

Raymond A. Chapman spent his school vacation with his grandparents at North Paris.

Mrs. Rosa Cole of West Paris is caring for Mrs. Almada Newton. Mrs. Newton is nearly 91 and until this winter has cared for her house and cooked for herself and a man.

Mrs. Angie Cutler, who has had to use crutches for several years, fell and is now under the care of a nurse.

Mrs. L. L. Mason was in Portland last week Monday to attend a meeting

of the board of overseers of Opportunity Farm, of which she is chairman.

Mrs. Eva Holden, who underwent an operation at the Sisters' Hospital, Lewiston, is making a good recovery.

Mrs. Frank Hammond of Cross St. spent the past week in Newcastle, visiting her mother.

Mrs. Ida Bonney, who has spent the winter with her sister, Mrs. Flora Haynes, has gone to her home in Sumner for the summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dean have moved to Norway where they will live with her father.

Miss Glenna Starbird, who teaches in Cornish, has been the guest of her

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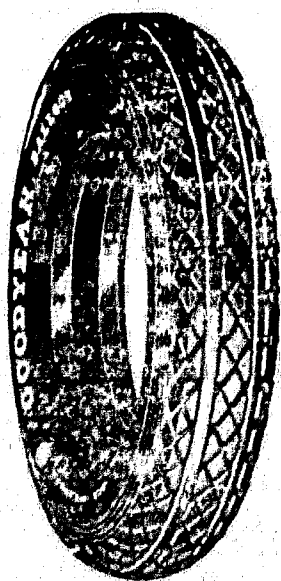
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NORTH WOODSTOCK

Everett Cole is at home from Farmington Normal School for a week's vacation.

Elvira Curtis of West Paris visited her cousin, Marjorie Fuller, from Sunday until Wednesday. Marjorie accompanied her home and stayed until Sunday.

Colleen Abbott has been visiting friends at West Paris.

Arthur Coffin and Gertrude Everett of North Paris were united in marriage April 1st. They are residing with the groom's parents at present. Their friends wish them much happiness.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphons Coffin and children spent Sunday with Mr. Coffin's mother.

Mrs. Elva Abbott and Electra Davis attended Farm Bureau at the Pond Friday.

Mrs. Iva Jordan spent Friday with Mrs. Hannah Cole.

Mrs. Eva Fuller called on Flora Cole Wednesday.

Mrs. George Forbes spent Tuesday with Mrs. Eva Fuller and children.

Mrs. Evelyn Barrett spent several days last week in Rumford with her husband.

Mrs. Frank Coffin has finished work at Carl Dudley's and Mrs. Fred Davis is taking her place. Mrs. Coffin expects to go to Denmark in a few weeks.

Mrs. Willis Tainter for a few weeks. Maxine Fuller and brother Lloyd were in Lewiston Saturday evening.

Wesley Wheeler of Bethel, who is taking the census was in this place Saturday afternoon.

Albany—Waterford

The Waterford schools opened Monday for the spring vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Walton are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crocker and Mr. and Mrs. "Steve" Klamont were Sunday guests at Meritt Sawin's.

Willis Little and Harold Canwell sawed wood for Ernest Brown Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pike and son of Conway, N. H., visited relatives at North Waterford Sunday.

Edna and Ethel Kimball and Edward Hunt have been visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Savin the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Morrison, who are stopping at David McAllister's, are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cox spent the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Canwell. Mr. and Mrs. Harold and Edith Canwell attended the dance at North Waterford Saturday evening.

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REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE
BETHEL NATIONAL BANK,
of Bethel, in the State of Maine, at the
close of business on March 27, 1930

ASSETS

1 Loans and discounts \$234,494.71

2 United States Government securities owned, including bonds, stocks, and securities owned \$27,489.00

3 Real estate owned \$8,007.23

4 Furniture and fixtures, including cash \$1,000.00

5 Real estate owned other than banking house \$2,500.00

6 Reserve bank \$14,378.74

7 Cash and due from banks \$1,044.23

8 Other assets \$169.25

9 Total \$289,043.13

LIABILITIES

10 Capital stock paid in \$25,000.00

11 Surplus \$25,000.00

12 Undivided profits—net \$40,162.98

13 Reserves \$8,000.00

14 Due to banks, including checks outstanding \$1,000.00

15 Other liabilities \$14,378.74

16 Total \$289,043.13

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New York Office, 110 William St.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1929

Stocks and Bonds, \$3,000,784.47

Cash in Office and Bank, 300,231.81

Agents' Balances, 207,360.00

Interest and Rents, 11,064.93

All other Assets, 102.00

Gross Assets, \$3,922,453.17

Deduct items not admitted, 217.37

Admitted, \$3,922,235.80

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1929

Net Unpaid Losses, \$255,801.00

Unearned Premiums, 1,700,732.10

All other Liabilities, 129,405.00

Cash Capital, 200,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,556,297.74

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$3,922,235.80

Ga-1

WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY

Toronto, Canada

NEW YORK OFFICE, 110 William St.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1929

Stocks and Bonds, \$4,797,948.11

Cash in Office and Bank, 609,329.62

Agents' Balances, 401,701.27

Interest and Rents, 47,552.08

All other Assets, 3,064.77

Gross Assets, \$5,859,535.85

Deduct items not admitted, 79,121.35

Admitted, \$5,780,414.50

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1929

Net Unpaid Losses, \$116,711.00

Unearned Premiums, 2,535,453.40

All other Liabilities, 230,280.25

Cash Capital, 400,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,372,178.07

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$5,780,414.50

Ga-1

CITY OF NEW YORK INSURANCE COMPANY

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1929

Stocks and Bonds, \$35,000.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 6,172,520.00

Agents' Balances, 1,212,702.83

Interest and Rents, 421,607.44

All other Assets, 5,000.00

Gross Assets, \$7,948,932.27

Deduct items not admitted, 23,469.04

Admitted, \$7,925,463.23

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1929

Net Unpaid Losses, \$473,752.00

Unearned Premiums, 2,880,176.00

All other Liabilities, 730,776.00

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,839,734.16

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$7,925,463.23

Ga-1

OLD COLONY INSURANCE COMPANY

86 Kilby Street, Boston, Massachusetts

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1929

Stocks and Bonds, \$4,000.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 8,737,640.00

Agents' Balances, 215,340.18

Interest and Rents, 341,035.16

All other Assets, 19,000.00

Gross Assets, \$9,283,015.34

Deduct items not admitted, 12,878.20

Admitted, \$9,270,137.14

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1929

Net Unpaid Losses, \$417,431.40

Unearned Premiums, 1,948,092.58

All other Liabilities, 1,000,000.00

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 5,709,423.19

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$9,270,137.14

Ga-1

BOSTON INSURANCE COMPANY

87 Kilby Street, Boston, Massachusetts

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1929

Stocks and Bonds, \$82,849.38

Cash in Office and Bank, 78,000.00

Agents' Balances, 23,150,024.00

Interest and Rents, 899,820.74

All other Assets, 1,677,770.63

Gross Assets, \$83,166,564.75

Deduct items not admitted, 10,180.40

Admitted, \$83,156,384.35

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1929

Net Unpaid Losses, \$20,263,938.12

Unearned Premiums, 40,977.01

All other Liabilities, \$20,263,938.12

Cash Capital, \$20,263,938.12

Surplus over all Liabilities, \$20,263,938.12

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$83,156,384.35

Ga-1

CAMDEN FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, CAMDEN, N. J.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1929

Real Estate, \$247,000.00

Mortgage Loans, 2,011,767.50

Stocks and Bonds, 5,000.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 10,142,905.00

Agents' Balances, 447,230.05

Interest and Rents, 817,007.74

All other Assets, 90,517.83

Gross Assets, \$13,839,778.03

Deduct items not admitted, 48,670.93

Admitted, \$13,791,107.10

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1929

Net Unpaid Losses, \$709,381.00

Unearned Premiums, 5,000,000.00

All other Liabilities, 370,434.30

Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 5,300,743.75

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$13,791,107.10

Ga-1

THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY

Hartford, Connecticut

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1929

Real Estate, \$10,238,537.29

Mortgage Loans, 123,701,871.60

Stocks and Bonds, 341,410,148.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 17,431,961.21

Agents' Balances, 11,000,000.00

Interest and Rents, 2,014.52

All other Assets, 76,000,000.00

Gross Assets, \$407,878,322.62

Deduct items not admitted, 578,932.22

Admitted, \$407,300,000.00

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1929

Net Unpaid Losses, \$10,143,000.00

Unearned Premiums, 20,000,000.00

All other Liabilities, 20,000,000.00

Cash Capital, 20,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 20,000,000.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$407,300,000.00

Ga-1

THE CAROLINA INSURANCE COMPANY, WILMINGTON, N. C.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1929

Real Estate, \$13,000.00

Mortgage Loans, \$11,000,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 449,000.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 1,000,000.00

Agents' Balances, 1,000,000.00

Interest and Rents, 1,000,000.00

All other Assets, 1,000,000.00

Gross Assets, \$28,000,000.00

Deduct items not admitted, 1,000,000.00

Admitted, \$27,000,000.00

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1929

Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,000,000.00

Unearned Premiums, 2,000,000.00

All other Liabilities, 2,000,000.00

Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,000,000.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$27,000,000.00

Ga-1

THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY

New York, New York

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1929

Stocks and Bonds, \$100,315,718.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 16,826,265.76

Agents' Balances, 11,242,437.30

Interest and Rents, 20,932.53

All other Assets, 18,009.94

Gross Assets, \$130,354,569.53

Deduct items not admitted, 1,140,420.46

Admitted, \$129,214,149.07

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1929

Net Unpaid Losses, \$6,762,474.00

Unearned Premiums, 41,308,575.00

All other Liabilities, 8,432,398.25

Cash Capital, 24,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 48,325,632.82

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$129,214,149.07

Ga-1

MILL OWNERS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF IOWA

Des Moines, Iowa

The Crippled Lady Of Peribonka

By
James Oliver Curwood
W.N.U. Service

SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Introducing some of the people of the pretty little French village of Peribonka, particularly the Crippled Lady, who is the heroine of the story.

CHAPTER II.—How the romance of the Crippled Lady began. The story of the great Inuit, Joseph Brant, and his wife, who lived in the village of Peribonka, and how they came to live together in the village.

CHAPTER III.—Paul's wife is in the village. The story of the Crippled Lady's life, and how she came to live in the village of Peribonka.

CHAPTER IV.—Paul's wife is in the village. The story of the Crippled Lady's life, and how she came to live in the village of Peribonka.

CHAPTER V.—Claire announces her engagement to Paul. The story of the Crippled Lady's life, and how she came to live in the village of Peribonka.

CHAPTER VI.—Paul goes to Quebec. The story of the Crippled Lady's life, and how she came to live in the village of Peribonka.

CHAPTER VII.—Paul, Claire, and the Crippled Lady. The story of the Crippled Lady's life, and how she came to live in the village of Peribonka.

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CHAPTER XI.—Continuing the story of the Crippled Lady's life, and how she came to live in the village of Peribonka.

In the direction he had gone. It was like Paul to take the situation in this way, as if it were an unimportant incident rather than a tragic thing.

Light was fading swiftly, and evening shadows were falling between the deep, close walls of the crevasse. A radiance was in Claire's face, as if a voiceless spirit within her were sending a message to some one in the world above. She could hear Paul's footsteps returning, the iron nails in his boots striking on rock, and her lips moved, yearning to call his name. Then she ran down into the hollow and up its farther edge. After all, it might not be such a sword of Damocles over them. If it were not, then Paul could only scold. If it were—

CHAPTER XII

Paul heard the crash. He was a little beyond the place where he had left Claire, and ran to it, calling her name. He leaped through the dust which was settling quickly and heavily, and saw the hollow choked to the brim with the debris of the avalanche. Claire was caught in the last grip of it near the crest of the rock slip. The upper part of her body was out, and she was alive when Paul reached her. He tried to speak as he tore at the rocks. But his voice was gone. He saw Claire's eyes looking at him with the light fading out of them. She made no sound. Her eyes were closed when he had her in his arms at last. Yet she was not dead—he found himself saying the words over and over as he climbed with her out of the fissure.

It may be that the full story of Claire Haldan and Paul would never have been known had it not been for the happening of this night. It seems reasonable that neither Claire nor Lucy-Belle nor the others would have told the more intimate of its details. A madman told the story. The madman was Paul. He came into the engineers' camp in the middle of the night. They did not know him at first, for brush and limbs and rocks had disfigured him in the darkness. His face was like that of a man who had been beaten with naked fists. His clothes were half gone. His feet were bleeding through the shredded leather of his boots. In his arms he carried a woman; a dead woman, they thought. Not until Derwent unwrapped the coat which her head and shoulders were protected and saw her face could he clearly realize that the man was Paul.

They took Claire to the Mistassini. She was carried gently, but quickly, in a litter—with half a dozen men taking turns in bearing her.

Even then, in his exhaustion, Paul insisted on walking at her side until the last nerve in him broke. It was this which robbed him of a day and a night of conscious life.

When he came to himself again after hours of tortuous sleep, Derwent told him that Claire was badly hurt but would live.

Claire, he said, had returned to her people in New York the second day after his supposed death. Lucy-Belle had gone with her. Word had been sent to her that he and Claire were alive, and Lucy-Belle had replied, saying that Claire was very ill. Then had come a telegram from Claire.

Derwent gave it to Paul. "I am so happy," it said. "Come to me as quickly as you can. Only God knows how glad I am."

"It sometimes takes a thing like this to bring out the love in a woman's heart," said Derwent, remembering Paul's years of loneliness.

"Yes, it does," said Paul, and he saw Claire's face between him and the words which Claire had written.

He went to see Claire soon afterward. He had taken a great deal of pride in the clean, white hospital he had built for the company, and now he blessed it. Derwent told him what it had meant for Claire. They had X-rayed her and had made the extraordinary discovery that there was not a broken bone in her body. But something had happened to her back and she was paralyzed from her waist down. Temporarily, he believed. Knowing what Paul would have done under the circumstances, he had sent to Quebec and Montreal for expert assistance, to consult with the company staff.

Claire was propped up against a mass of pillows in her snowy bed when Paul arrived. Everything was white about her, except the dark arch of her hair—the room, the bed, her face, her gown, her face. Like that with two silky strands streaming over her shoulders, she might have been a child, one who had been a long time sick, with an exquisite, fragile beauty about her. He had not expected to find her so like a fly-petted flower whose soul a breath might carry away.

He seated himself beside her and so far her hand crept over the cover to him. It was helplessly weak. Her fingers were only a feathery presage about his.

"Please don't scold me, Paul," she said faintly, trying to smile. "You see, I was right. If the rocks had buried you, I could never have got you out and brought you home. Could I?"

He did not answer, but held her hand so closely that a joyous little melody of content came for a moment in her throat. "I am glad I can afford you would be angry with me. Now I know I shall not well quickly."

It seemed difficult for them to find things to say. Paul, fighting with the grimly set lines of an Indian on his face, was holding back, and he wanted to tell her, Claire, that a little more and she would have died. Her own weakness letting down the thing which both were valiantly making an effort to hold between them.

He told her about the specialists who were on their way, and that their own staff had no doubt but that she would very soon be on her feet again. He tried to talk without a strain in his voice, yet he could feel the falseness, and pretense of his effort when he wanted to take her in his arms and kiss her pale, sweet face.

Claire knew this, too. At last, when it was time for him to leave her, she said: "When are you going home?"

"I don't know," he replied. "It must be soon," she urged. "I want it that way. You must start to-day—or tomorrow. Only that will make me well. Claire wants you. Please—read this."

She gave him a crumpled yellow slip of paper. It was a telegram crushed. If she had been holding it a long time before he came. He smoothed it out and read the words which his wife had sent her. The message was almost identical with the one he had received, giving him the impression that Claire, in the stress of her emotion, had been able to find but a single thought for them both.

"I am so happy," it said. "Send Paul to me as quickly as you can. Only God knows how glad I am."

"She has faith in me," said Claire. "She asks me to send you to her. What a privilege that is, Paul, for one woman to give another! No matter how hard I try I can never be as wonderful as Claire. The world does not hold many women like her. She loves you. She wants you. When will you go to her?"

When he was a boy, there had been in his room a picture of an angel with snowy wings and golden hair. She seemed to be floating through clouds and he remembered that his first ideas of heaven came from this angel and that she inspired him to ask questions which his mother sometimes found difficult to answer. The picture had always remained in his mind. It occurred to him in thinking of Claire. It was impossible for him to feel resentment against his fate, or even a desire to change it, in going to her. They were occasional women of whose names the world found its spiritual story. Claire, he knew was one of them like the angel in his room. It was he who had been the master in that story, and the effect in himself he was prepared to remedy. It in itself.

He read Claire's telegram many times on the way south. He tried to read between the lines. He tried to understand more clearly the change which had come over her. Derwent had told him how she had watched where the water poured out of the chimney. "Water than death as it flows," he had said. And Claire: "She loves you. She wants you. And now her own words on the yellow paper in his hand entreated him to come to her, as gently as he could. There was a strange singing in his heart, and a dull throb. If she should have him at last—like that. After years of waiting and hoping, and of yearning for a woman to be a part of him—child of a home he had dreamed of—

He folded the telegram for a last time and put it in his pocket. He was seeing the tears in Claire's eyes.

To be continued

SOUTH WATERFORD

Mrs. Augusta Monroe and daughter Ethel, who returned to their home, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Abbott are stopping at their home in the village.

Mrs. Hazel Kimball, Lillian Kimball and Mrs. Annie Bradbury met with Mrs. Mary Kneeland Sunday afternoon and saw for Lee Kimball's family, who were burned out.

School began Monday morning for the spring term. Edna and Ethel Kimball visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Sawin, last week.

Mrs. Ida Riggs is sick. Mrs. Allen is recovering from her recent illness. Her mother, Mrs. Randall, is poorly.

Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Bradbury, Edna and Lillian Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Hazen, Mrs. Ida Holden, Mrs. Fannie Green, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nelson attended the church membership supper at the "Willow Community House" last Friday evening.

Friday afternoon Lee Kimball's home, located just over the line in Sweden, was destroyed by fire. Practically everything was lost. The barn across the road on the late Winfield Stevens place was also burned.

Bear Mountain Community Club met Monday to put out clothes for Lee Kimball's family. Tuesday they met with Mrs. Fannie Green and made them.

Mrs. L. B. Muller is recovering slowly from her recent illness. Bear Mountain Grange held its regular session Saturday afternoon. The following program was presented by the lecturer:

Song, "Long, Long Trail," Chorus: "Long, Long Trail," William Collins. Reading, "The Story of the Bible," Benjamin. Original Essay on "Nimrod's Fall," Lillian Kimball. Reading, "The Story of the Bible," Lillian Kimball. Reading, "The Story of the Bible," Lillian Kimball.

Friends in town are grieved to hear of the death of George Eastman, an aged citizen of Lovell. Schools in town begin on Monday the 14th, after a vacation of three weeks. George Mills and Rex Rolfe are working in Denmark.

UPTON

Lyman Lane is home from his winter's work. Rev. N. S. Davis is in Gilead this week taking the census. Mrs. Selma Sanborn of Weld is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Judkins. Wilfred Richards and family move to the Vernie Davis place on the Bethel road this week.

The rain of Sunday night and Monday forenoon washed Mill Hill quite badly. Will Whitney is still on the sick list. Mrs. John M. Burke has returned to her home in Biddeford. C. A. Judkins has a line of ladies' millinery. Schools opened for the spring term Monday of this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Perry Judkins, a daughter, April 1, at the Community Hospital, Rumford. There were thirty-four at the Christian Endeavor meeting held at the home of C. A. Judkins last Sunday evening.

GROVER HILL

Once more this community is saddened by the death of a resident of this place, Mrs. Frances M. Whitman, widow of the late Albert L. Whitman. Mrs. Alice Waterhouse has a severe cold and cough.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gott from Bethel have moved their housekeeping goods to the Mrs. W. H. Hutchinson farm which they, having leased, will occupy in the early autumn.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Munn, who have

been away on a visit with relatives, returned home Tuesday. Many washouts since the recent heavy rains.

Evelyn Whitman and her brother, Winfield, returned to Gould Tuesday morning, after a week's recess. Mrs. E. B. Whitman and son Robert returned to Norway Tuesday. Cleve Waterhouse is working on the road.

Mrs. Mary Blake from Berlin, who assisted during the illness and death of her sister, Mrs. Frances Whitman, has returned home. Word recently came to us that Miss Emma L. Stearns had fallen and broken her left wrist. She is with relatives at Hampden, near Bangor, where she is made very comfortable.

NORTHWEST BETHEL

Virginia Brown has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Byron Abbott in Woodford.

Mrs. Arthur Chapman of Meehan Falls is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown.

Warren Brown was in Boston one day last week. The ice has gone out of the river and Patrick Arsenault is tending ferry.

Almon Chase and Mrs. Sara Gould and daughter from Whitefield, N. H., were guests of Patrick Arsenault Sunday.

Carroll Abbott, the third selectman, was around taking inventory last week.

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Her Eyes Were Closed When He Had Her in His Arms at Last.

